Ewing NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION WASHINGTON 25, D.C. May 17, 1960 Dr. Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics Stanford University Palo Alto, California Dear Dr. Lederberg: Enclosed is a proposal from Columbia University on proposed Antarctic research entitled "Microbial Populations in Polar Seas and Sediments," that has recently been submitted to this office. You will recall that a somewhat similar proposal was submitted to you for review and comment last year. That proposal was subsequently withdrawn and does not, therefore, conflict with or duplicate the present proposal. We would appreciate any comments you might have on the proposal, and your opinion as to the desirability of support for this proposal by the Antarctic Research Program. An addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Thank you very much. Yours very truly, Mort D. Turner U. S. Antarctic Research Program Enclosure